

legislative assembly, or of the electors, no additional amendment or amendments shall be proposed.

ARTICLE 18.

Schedule.

§ 1. For the purpose of taking the vote of the electors of the state for the acceptance or rejection of this constitution, an election shall be held on the second Monday of November, in the year 1857, to be conducted according to existing laws regulating the election of delegate in Congress, so far as applicable, except as herein otherwise provided.

2. Each elector who offers to vote upon this constitution shall be asked by the judges of election this question:

Do you vote for the constitution—yes or no?

And also this question:

Do you vote for slavery in Oregon—yes or no?

And also this question:

Do you vote for free negroes in Oregon—yes or no?

And in the poll-books shall be columns headed, respectively, "Constitution, yes;" "Constitution, no;" "Slavery, yes;" "Slavery, no;" "Free negroes, yes;" "Free negroes, no." And the names of electors shall be entered in the poll-books, together with their answers to the said questions under their appropriate heads. The abstracts of the votes transmitted to the secretary of the territory shall be publicly opened, and canvassed by the governor and secretary, or by either of them, in the absence of the other; and the governor, or, in his absence, the secretary, shall forthwith issue his proclamation, and publish the same in the several newspapers printed in this state, declaring the result of the said election upon each of said questions.

3. If a majority of all the votes given for and against the constitution shall be given for the constitution, then this constitution shall be deemed to be approved and accepted by the electors of the state, and shall take effect accordingly; and if a majority of such votes shall be given against the constitution, then this constitution shall be deemed to be rejected by the electors of the state, and shall be void.

4. If this constitution shall be accepted by the electors, and a majority of all the votes given for and against slavery shall be given for slavery, then the following section shall be added to the bill of rights, and shall be part of this constitution:

"Persons lawfully held as slaves in any state, territory, or district of the United States, under the laws thereof, may be brought into this State, and such slaves, and their descendants, may be held as slaves within this state, and shall not be emancipated without the consent of their owners."

And if a majority of such votes shall be given against slavery, then the foregoing shall not, but the following section shall be added to the "bill of rights," and shall be a part of this constitution:

"There shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in this state, otherwise than as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted."

And if a majority of all the votes given for and against free